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For: NETWORK SYSTEM, TERMINAL AND RECORDING MEDIUM

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 28, 2001, the period for response being extended by the attached Petition for One Month Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1, 3, 8, 11, 15 and 17 as follows:

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sub-b1)

1. (Amended) A network system comprising:
a plurality of terminals interconnected via a network; and
a controller controlling the terminals via the network;
at least one of the terminals, as designated by a user, including an information obtaining means for automatically obtaining information on the other terminals therefrom, and a transmitting means for transmitting to the controller information on the at least one terminal and the obtained information on the other terminals by the information obtaining means.

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sub-b2)

3. (Amended) A network system comprising: